

climate change. The author whom they published, a notorious climate denier, has for years been affiliated with or funded by the Heritage Foundation, the Heartland Institute, the Cato Institute—a rogues' gallery of industry-funded climate denial front groups.

The sum of this is an American media too often asleep at the switch when warnings need to be made.

The Washington Post media columnist and former public editor of the New York Times, Margaret Sullivan, wrote this past fall:

Just as the world, especially the United States, needs radical change to mitigate the

coming crisis, so too for the news media. . . . This subject must be kept front and center, with the pressure on and the stakes made abundantly clear at every turn. . . . Just as the smartest minds in earth science have issued their warning, the best minds in media should be giving sustained attention to how to tell this most important story in a way that will create change.

There is some exceptional climate change coverage reaching readers today. Indeed, American voters increasingly name climate change as a big priority for them at the ballot box, but the pace of climate disruption demands urgency. Columbia Journalism Review's Hertsgaard and Pope write:

“If American journalism doesn't get the climate story right—and soon—no other story will matter.”

I yield the floor.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M.
TOMORROW

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow morning.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 6:54 p.m. adjourned until Tuesday, May 21, 2019, at 10 a.m.